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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Kendall et al.

Application No.: 10/723,096

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For: MOLDING COMPOUND

Group No.: 1732

Examiner: Jeffrey Michael Wollschlager

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PETITION UNDER (37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)) WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE—ISSUE FEE PAID

- Applicant petitions that the above identified application be withdrawn from issue. The 1. issue fee was paid on April 27, 2007.
- 2. Reason for withdrawal from issue:

The reason applicant seeks withdrawal from issue of this application is:

It is believed that claim 1 may be unpatentable under at least one of 35 USC 112 paragraph 1 or paragraph 2. The claim recited a step of, "molding the sheet molding compound at an elevated temperature, the reactive compound thereby forming a cross-linked matrix within the sheet molding compound, and wherein the macrocyclic oligoester reacts with the reactive compound in the presence of the transesterification catalyst to produce polymer chains and the polymer chains are integrated into the cross-linked matrix. The claim also recites language suggesting that, "the polymer chains are formed separately from the cross-linked matrix". Since the reactive compound is stated to form a cross-linked matrix and to form the polymer chains, it potentially causes confusion to also suggest that the polymer chains are formed separately from

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the cross-linked matrix. Applicants have restored clarity to this claims by removing a portion of the language of the claim.

3. Petition fee (37 CFR § 1.17(i)):

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